Statement

As on 24-5-1990

Sl. No.	High Court	No. of Judges in position	No. of Judges belonging to	
			S.C.	S.T.
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	5		
10.	Karnataka	28	1	2
11.	Kerala	23	1	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	22		
13.	Madras	23	1	
14.	Orissa	12		
15.	Patna	25		
16.	Punjab & Haryana	18		
17.	Rajasthan	18		
18.	Sikkim	2		
	Total:	376	9	4

Strike by Bank Employees

1716. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently the employees of nationalised banks went on a day's strike;

(b) if so, what were their demands;

(c) whether any action has been taken on their demands; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) to (d) A section of bank employees reportedly struck work on 25.4.1990 and 15.5.1990 in support of their demands, which include review of the recently concluded Vth Bipartite Settlement, introduction of pension, increase in the quantum of housing loan, formation of a tripartite committee to finalise policy on computerisation etc. No action is called for on the demands of the union as the banks' managements have signed the settlement only recently i.e. on 10.4.1989 with unions representing the majority of the employees.

Framing of Policy in respect of Penicillin G / V

1717. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1671 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1989 and state:

(a) when was the policy of Penicillin G / V first framed by Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that Penicillin V has never been produced indigenously;

(c) what are the names of the companies to whom import licences were recommended for Penicillin V from the date of first policy announced;

(d) what was the quantity and value for which Penicillin V was recommended to each party and what are the details of conditions applied on each import licence;

(e) what was the indigenous price of Penicillin G when the import of Penicillin V was allowed to each party;

(f) whether his Ministry made subsequent changes in the policy;

(g) if so, when and what were the changes made each time;

(h) what is the present policy;

(i) whether it is a fact that none of the companies whom import of Penicillin V was allowed have lifted Penicillin G; and

(j) if so, what action has been taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN): (a) In 1986-87 on the basis of lifting of indigenous material.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) Only one company namely, M/s. Jagsonpal Pharmaceuticals Ltd. has been allowed to import Penicillin 'V' so far and this company is also required to lift the indigenous component as and when available. Details of Penicillin 'V' allowed to this company during the years 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89 are as under:—

Year	*Quantity (MMU)*
1986-87	40
1987-88	—
1988-89	75

(e) The price of indigenous Penicillin 'G' Ist Crystals during 1986-87 to 1988-89 was about Rs 6 5 lakhs per MMU.

(f) to (h) In April, 1989, it was decided that no further import of Penicillin 'V' will be permitted and all manufacturers of this item should base their production on Penicillin 'G' and this policy continues at present

(i) and (j) The party was required to lift Penicillin V as and when available The party was advised to switchover to Penicillin 'G'

Raising of Capital by Karnataka Government for Irrigation and Power Projects

1718. SHRI K. G MAHESWARAPPA Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Karnataka Government has requested to permit the State Government and its public sector undertakings in the infrastructure field to raise capital through bonds exclusively for financing irrigation and power projects; and

(b) if so, what action the Central Government have taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The present scheme of public sector Bonds is confined to Central Public Sector Undertakings.

Violation of FERA by The Chairman and Managing Director of Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Limited

1719. **SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chairman and Managing Director of the Peerless General Finance and Investment Company Limited was sometime back held at Dum Dum Airport for violation of FERA provisions; and

(b) if so, what action has been or is being taken against him?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) and (b) The person and baggage of Shri P C Sen, Chairman-cum-Managing Director of M/s Peerless General Finance and Investment Co. Ltd. were searched at Calcutta Airport, on 12th September, 1989 when he arrived there with his wife from Singapore. Subsequently his residence and some other premises were searched on 13th September, 1989. Shri Sen was arrested on 14th the September, 1989 and subsequently released on bail as per Calcutta High Court orders dated 16th September, 1989. Appropriate action against the party will be taken on completion of investigations.